

and belief.⁵ Four copies of the petition shall be filed with the regional director wherein the bargaining unit exists or, if the unit exists in two or more regions, with the regional director for any of such regions. The petition may be withdrawn only with the approval of the regional director with whom such petition was filed, except that if the proceeding has been transferred to the Board, pursuant to § 102.67, the petition may be withdrawn only with the consent of the Board. Upon approval of the withdrawal of any petition the case shall be closed.

§ 102.84 Contents of petition to rescind authority.

- (a) The name of the employer.
- (b) The address of the establishments involved.
- (c) The general nature of the employer's business.
- (d) A description of the bargaining unit involved.
- (e) The name and address of the labor organization whose authority it is desired to rescind.
- (f) The number of employees in the unit.
- (g) Whether there is a strike or picketing in progress at the establishment involved and, if so, the approximate number of employees participating, and the date such strike or picketing commenced.
- (h) The date of execution and of expiration of any contract in effect covering the unit involved.
- (i) The name and address of the person designated to accept service of documents for petitioners.
- (j) Any other relevant facts.

§ 102.85 Investigation of petition by regional director; consent referendum; directed referendum.

Where a petition has been filed pursuant to § 102.83 and it appears to the regional director that the petitioner has made an appropriate showing, in such form as the regional director may determine, that 30 percent or more of the employees within a unit covered by an agreement between their employer and a labor organization requiring

membership in such labor organization desire to rescind the authority of such labor organization to make such an agreement, he shall proceed to conduct a secret ballot of the employees involved on the question whether they desire to rescind the authority of the labor organization to make such an agreement with their employer: *Provided, however,* That in any case in which it appears to the regional director that the proceeding raises questions which cannot be decided without a hearing, he may issue and cause to be served on the parties a notice of hearing before a hearing officer at a time and place fixed therein. The regional director shall fix the time and place of the election, eligibility requirements for voting, and other arrangements of the balloting, but the parties may enter into an agreement, subject to the approval of the regional director, fixing such arrangements. In any such consent agreements, provision may be made for final determination of all questions arising with respect to the balloting by the regional director or by the Board.

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§ 102.86 Hearing; posthearing procedure.

The method of conducting the hearing and the procedure following the hearing, including transfer of the case to the Board, shall be governed, insofar as applicable, by §§ 102.63 to 102.68, inclusive.

§ 102.87 Method of conducting balloting; postballoting procedure.

The method of conducting the balloting and the postballoting procedure shall be governed by the provisions of § 102.69, insofar as applicable.

§ 102.88 Refusal to conduct referendum; appeal to Board.

If, after a petition has been filed, and prior to the close of the hearing, it shall appear to the regional director that no referendum should be conducted, he shall dismiss the petition by administrative action. Such dismissal shall be in writing and accompanied by a simple statement of the procedural or other grounds. The petitioner may obtain a review of such action by filing a

⁵ Forms for filing such petitions will be supplied by the regional office upon request.